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In re application of :
Paul D. FRANKE : **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR**
Serial No. 09/809,595 : **CONDUCTING A PLURALITY**
Filed March 15, 2001 : **OF CYBER-BASED CONVENTIONS**

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Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please replace the first paragraph beginning at line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This patent application is a continuation-in-part of International Application
No. PCT/US99/31285 filed December 30, 1999 which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional
Application Serial No. 60/114,128, filed December 30, 1998, and U. S. Provisional
Application Serial No. 60/114,396 filed December 31, 1998.

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